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PROGRAMMABLY TIMABLE PRIMING DEVICE

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Sir:

For:

In reply to the February 12, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend Figures 1 and 4 and add Figure 6 as set forth in the attached Request for Approval of Drawing Corrections and Addition.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 2, lines 11-14, delete current paragraph and insert therefore:

According to an exemplary embodiment, the timing means includes a capacitor, switching means, and means for controlling the switching means allowing the capacitor to be charged for a charging time, then discharged, the discharge causing the element to act on the primer.

Page 3, lines 1-4, delete current paragraph and insert therefore: